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DID THE KICKER DO IT?

In its very first issue nearly three years ago the Kicker laid bare the awful conditions that exist in Missouri. It told of the passage of the "pure food law," the "horse breeders' bill" and the annulment of the Third Amendment to the state constitution. And it then pictured Cook, Stone, Dockery and Seibert as the arch enemies of clean government.

And what was the reply of the local ringsters?

"Oh, he's a d-d Republican." And that is the reply of every politician when he gets cornered. And it is usually sufficient. When he pleads his case he appeals only to prejudice. And when he gets cornered he again appeals to prejudice.

And, strange to say, it works. Little did I suspect, three years ago, when I made my initial bow with a paper destined to tell the truth regardless of party, that all my statements would be verified by affidavit.

What I said startled the local "stick to the party" crowd. Many of them were honestly startled, and the wiser ones were mad about it. It cut me severely one day to have ex-Congressman Arnold call me a Republican. But since then I have got used to it and feel quite as much complimented at being called a Republican as a Democrat—from the Parker-Roosevelt standard.

However, the Kicker's course has been as straight as an arrow. All that it has said STANDS. Not a single statement has been successfully contradicted. On the contrary, quite every statement made by this paper has been proven either in court or in other ways.

Almost with its first issue the Kicker gained a state-wide reputation as a Democratic paper exposing Democrats. It was so unusual that the paper was quoted from everywhere.

There was nothing unusual for Republicans to call Democrats rascals, and for Democrats to call Republicans rascals, but for a Democrat to assail Democrats attracted attention. Within six months the boodle prosecutions began. Did the Kicker do it?

NEIGHBORHOOD NEWS.

Marriage licenses: Paul Schurenberg and Miss Ivy E. Martin, Oran; Herman J. Glueck, Kelso, and Miss Mollie M. Schuler, New Hamburg; John F. Bolden, Sikeston, and Miss Nancy P. Baker, Benton; Frank J. Amrhein and Miss Philomena Bechel, Bledin; Louis Huff and Miss Susan House, Graysboro; Andrew J. Heiser and Miss Anna Glueck, Kelso.

The following is the roll of honor at Lusk school. Prices: Landing for Sept. 30: May Jones, Gilbert Sewell, Clyde E. Swank, Noel Swank, Ruel Swank, Glenn Swank, Alma Clymer, Percy Clymer, Jennie Clymer, J. M. Kelleher, teacher.

Teeth extracted without pain by Dr. A. L. Bryte and wife at the Walker house on Oct. 20 and 21. Dentistry in all branches practiced. No charge for extracting where plates are wanted.

M. Marquis of Stanton, Ill., was here this week looking around with a view of going into business. He says he will probably put a \$12,000 stock in the Robertson building by November.

Furnished rooms at Ristigs—a good place to stay over night.

A. W. Wright of Blodgett brought Alfred Alford, who is insane, to Benton Saturday and turned him over to the authorities. Alford is 20 years old and from Goshire, Ala.

At Ristigs you can get fish, oysters and celery and wieners.

Several of our citizens went to Blodgett Monday to encourage an organized effort to hold the county seat at Benton.

C. E. Noble will be in Benton on the 16th and will be pleased to meet anyone desiring estimates on general contracting.

Through illness I am compelled to sell my restaurant business at Vanduser. Good stand, nice stock, large patronage. H. T. MAYES.

Lorina, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. James Norrid, fell Monday and broke an arm. A defective sidewalk was the cause.

Oysters—stewed, fried or raw—at Ristigs.

Mrs. S. J. Wade and Misses Clara Smith and Cleo Freeling left Monday to spend a week at the Fair.

The Catholic school opened Monday with Miss Barbara Schumacher of Chicago as teacher.

Circuit court convenes next week and the criminal docket is large.

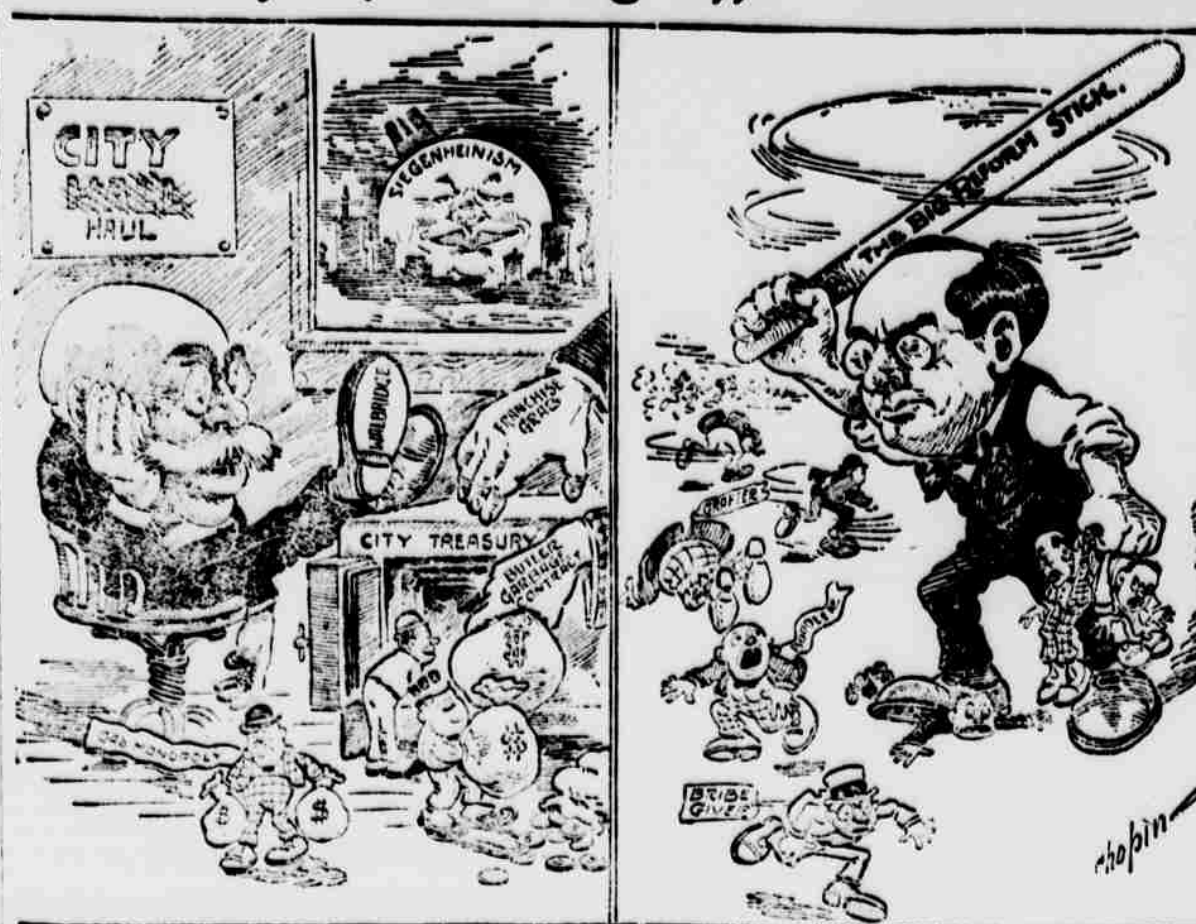
For the best square meal in town go to Ristigs.

Fresh bread at Ristigs.

Speakers' Dates.

Hon. Jas. T. Lloyd of Shelby county, congressman from the first district, will address the people at Sikeston Saturday, Oct. 16.

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HOW WALBRIDGE DID IT.

HOW FOLK DID IT.

FROM COMMERCE.

L. A. Reynolds, C. F. Dewitt, A. N. Ireland and George Harrison will put in gasoline lights in their various places of business, which will greatly improve same.

The Fair delegates from here this week are: P. B. Held, Webb Bell, Otto Reynolds, Arthur Cleaver, Wm. Ward, Ed. Johnson and Tillman Anderson.

Mrs. Crowder and Miss Genevieve Tillman of Cape Girardeau were here visiting Friday.

Mrs. John Daily visited her daughter, Mrs. Janger, at Jackson the end of last week.

A. N. Ireland is now marking goods and his store will be in full blast the first of the week.

Married at Clayton, Mo., Saturday, October 9, Miss Alta DeWitt and Mr. George Shero.

Sam Hutton and Mrs. Theo. Frazer left Monday for Bloomington, Ind., to visit relatives.

E. A. Johnson is in St. Louis with his aunt, Mrs. Bernice Franklin, who is very ill.

W. B. Anderson came to town Saturday and left for St. Louis Sunday.

Dr. Willis is going to leave us and take up his abode in South.

Marvin Henchman of St. Louis is here this week visiting relatives.

Mr. and Mrs. Henry Koch went over to Benton Thursday.

Fresh oysters and celery at Ristigs.

FROM ORAN.

Burglars got busy here during the absence of families at the fair. Miss Ora Finley is out \$21 worth of silver table ware. Rev. Madox also lost some silver ware. Dick McLan is minus a revolver, shot gun and pair of gold-rimmed glasses, and Mr. Glascock misses a number of articles.

See Dr. Cantlon at the Walker Hotel all week from the 17th about your eyes and feet. He removes corns and ingrown toe-nails.

It is estimated that over seven thousand attended our fair Friday. The crowds were also very large on the other two days and altogether the fair was a great success.

Rev. Rudolph and two elder children are visiting at Bardwell, Ky. Mrs. Rudolph is at Farmington having medical treatment.

The Frisco had to press two box cars into service to carry off the crowd of passengers Sunday morning.

Ed Glascock, who has been in Beaumont, Tex., for the past four years, visited his parents here last week.

The Misses Belken of Fredericktown are visiting with Mr. and Mrs. Barney Wagner.

Miss Dee Fink is slowly recovering from typhoid fever.

"Steel Smiths" at the Opera House last week drew good crowds.

At Ristigs you can get a square meal or hot and cold lunches.

FROM McMULLIN.

A fine baby girl was born to Mr. and Mrs. Jesse Wright Sunday.

Mrs. Geo. Clifford and children have returned from a four weeks' visit to Cincinnati, Ohio.

Dr. Cantlon, the noted eye and foot specialist, will visit Benton for one week, commencing Oct. 17.

An iron gray mare is missing from J. D. Dill's. Reward for return or information of her whereabouts.

English, the 24-year-old son of Robert and Bertha Joyce, died Sunday morning.

The 18-month-old child of Mr. and Mrs. G. R. Bridges died Wednesday of last week.

J. P. Ranney has purchased a fine thoroughbred Durham bull.

The Epworth League of our church is doing excellent work.

Lennox school is progressing nicely.

FROM PLEASANT VALLEY.

A few of the public from here went to the Oran fair Thursday and report a good time.

Dr. Cantlon, of Cape Girardeau, will visit Benton one week commencing Oct. 17. He is the only eye and foot specialist south of St. Louis. Advice free. At Walker House.

FROM NEW HAMBURG.

Herman J. Glueck and Miss Mary Scherer were married Tuesday and Anton Hutter and Miss Clara Gerst Wednesday.

If you want to stay over night in Benton go to Ristigs.

W. L. Tiennen has the contract for the brickwork of the school house.

If you want a first-class buggy or vehicle of any kind at a reasonable price call on Jno. F. Sailer, Kelso.

A daughter was born to Mr. and Mrs. Tony Glasstetter Sunday.

Louis Burger and family are now residents of Edna.

FROM MORLEY.

Several of our citizens who were at Oran fair failed to alight at the proper time on the return trip and went on to Blodgett, where they spent a restless night.

Grant Ragalus, Frisco agent, is off visiting and R. R. Wright is acting in his place.

Mrs. B. S. Curd spent Sunday in Benton.

The Morley delegation to the Fair this week consists of Mr. and Mrs. Chas. Earles, Wm. Daugherty, Frank Frobase and Robt. Leslie.

Mrs. Stovall has been quite ill, but is improving.

Manie Frobase is proving a capable organist at the Baptist Sunday school.

Lawrence Perry returned home Tuesday after an absence of 2 years.

FROM CROWDER.

Mrs. Kimbell and Briseley and Zora Marshall attended Ben Hur congress at Sikeston last week.

Prof. Foster and Miss McUTCHEON accompanied their pupils to the fair at Oran Thursday.

The infant daughter of Mr. and Mrs. W. C. Wellman died Saturday morning of last week.

Mrs. DeSoto Potter and daughter of Risco were the guests of S. J. Kimbell and family this week.

Mrs. P. E. Marshall is able to be up again after two months' illness.

John Denbow and wife visited with friends in Allenville Friday.

FROM SAVANAH.

Our preacher did not show up Sunday and Rev. Darby filled the appointment.

J. Mackley visited home folks Sunday.

Mr. Strait of near Whiting visited his daughter, Mrs. J. Matthews, Saturday and Sunday.

Miss Florence Downing visited Miss Susie Gage Sunday, returning to her home at Charleston Monday.

Miss Julia Mackley and brothers entertained quite a number of young folks Sunday.

Mrs. J. B. Mason and little Ethel Darby are on the puny list.

W. C. Darby and family, John Browning, Rufus Browning, Wm. Browning and wife and others were guests of W. T. Browning Monday.

It has been suggested that our boys try breaking those Western ponies on Saturdays instead of Sundays. The girls like buggy riding Sundays in this neighborhood.

FROM PORTER SWITCH.

Arthur Brazil lost his house by fire Saturday morning. A defective fuse started the blaze. Most of the contents were saved.

FROM KELSO.

John H. Scherer is down at Morley plastering Dr. Tomlinson's new residence.

Mrs. P. R. Williams and son Roy and wife visited the doctor Sunday.

The infant daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Barney Lauck died Saturday.

Jules Drury is erecting a machine shed in rear of store.

Landry Drury was at the Cape Monday.

Otto Dannenmueller has returned from St. Louis.

C. J. Rush was a ticket seller at the Oran fair.

FROM HICKORY GROVE.

While returning from Oran Friday Mrs. Keese's horse took fright and ran away. She was thrown out and sustained three broken ribs and other injuries and is now in a critical condition.

James Denton has sold out here and will go into business at Benton.

Big, little, old and young went to the Oran fair last week.

Aunt Bettie Willis is reported ill.

FROM CROSS PLAINS.

Noah Denton is on the sick list this week.

Mr. and Mrs. Tom Snowden and family visited the family of Will Harrison Sunday.

W. J. Taylor has moved to the Tom Chewing place and will raise a crop this season.

Ozias Denton and wife were the guests of her father Sunday night.

Preaching at Chewing's chapel Sunday evening at 8 o'clock.

Class Against Class.

Commoner.

Thomas W. Lawson, the Boston financier, has written an open letter to the governor of the Boston Stock Exchange, in which letter Mr. Lawson charges that the exchange is being used to "rob the people in a meaner and more contemptible way than the pickpocket or highwayman employes."

The editor of the Milwaukee News became highly indignant after reading Mr. Lawson's epistle. He says: "Mr. Lawson does not confine himself to generalities. He presents a bill of particulars to clinch his sweeping indictment. He declares that the managers of bucket-shops have partners acting as brokers on the floor of the exchange. Through fictitious transactions on the exchange, the customers of the bucket-shops are 'wiped out.' They are 'skinned' by a 'sure thing' game, in which the stock exchange serves as the loaded dice."

Then this editor declares that Mr. Lawson mistakes liberty for license; that he is "treading on the privileges of free speech; that he is 'treading on dangerous ground.' He further explains that "in making revelations of the methods employed by the pillars of society in accumulating great wealth, Mr. Lawson is guilty of setting class against class. He seeks to discredit the prudence, integrity, thrift and foresight that have enabled the 'business men' of the stock exchange to accumulate 'competence.' He is playing upon the passions of the people, arousing hatred and envy. He is a 'disturber' seeking to tear down the commercial and financial foundations upon which rests our 'great prosperity.'"

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